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In Re Application of  
Rob Neeper, et al.

Serial No.: 10/058,462

Filed: January 28, 2002

) For: AUTOMATED METHOD FOR  
) TREATMENT OF SAMPLES ON SOLID  
) SUPPORTS (as amended)

) Group Art Unit: 1743

) Examiner: Lyle Alexander

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

**Mail Stop Non-fee Amendment**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2004. Reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendments and arguments is respectfully requested.

**Amendment to the Title** begins on page 2 of the paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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**Amendment to the Title**

Please amend the title to read as follows:

AUTOMATED METHOD FOR TREATMENT OF SAMPLES ON SOLID SUPPORTS